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TO : SENIOR REP, LINCOLN

FROM : DIRECTOR, CIA

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1. REF PARA 4, AT PRESS CONFERENCE AFTERNOON 17 JUNE DIRECTOR, FOA SAID SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BEING GIVEN TERMINATION U.S. TECHNICAL COOPERATION GUATEMALA. STATED: QUOTE THE PROJECTS ON WHICH OUR TECHNICIANS ARE WORKING ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO PEOPLE OF GUATEMALA, AND WE WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE THEM, BUT THERE IS A SERIOUS QUESTION AS TO WHETHER CONTINUED WORK OF THIS KIND CAN BE SUCCESSFULLY CARRIED OUT UNDER THE GOVERNMENTAL CONDITIONS NOW EXISTING IN THAT COUNTRY UNQUOTE. AFTER MAKING ABOVE STATEMENT, STASSEN EXPRESSED NEED FOR STOPPING ARMS SHIPMENTS TO GUATEMALA. IN REPLY TO QUESTION AS TO WHETHER BATTLE ACT SHOULD BE APPLIED GUATEMALA, HE SAID THIS BEING GIVEN SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.

2. REF PARA 2 STATEMENT HAS NOT BEEN RELEASED AND MAY NOT BE.

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END OF MESSAGE

COORDINATING OFFICERS

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FRANK G. WISNER
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RELEASING OFFICER

AUTHENTICATING OFFICER

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